

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA

Date: March 1, 2005

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PRESENT: José M. Sanchez, Chairman; Tommie C. Martin, Vice-Chairman; Shirley L. Dawson, Member; John F. Nelson, County Manager/Clerk; Marian Sheppard, Chief Deputy Clerk; and, Bryan Chambers, 2nd Chief Deputy County Attorney.

The Gila County Board of Supervisors met in Regular Session at 10:00 a.m. this date. Marie Petroff led the Pledge of Allegiance and Reverend Barbie Morten of the First Christian Church delivered the Invocation.

Bob Hickman, Facilities Manager, introduced Vicki Wheeland, past president of Servicemen Over Seas (S.O.S.), who presented a plaque to the Board honoring United States servicemen and servicewomen who are stationed by the U.S. military in Afghanistan and Iraq. Ms. Wheeland explained that the original purpose of S.O.S. was to provide toiletries and other needed items to thirty-three servicemen and servicewomen who are from the local community and are presently stationed in Afghanistan and Iraq. She stated the supply issue is not as great as it was, so the remaining items were donated to the Gila County Food Bank, and the purchase of this plaque *“is a way to honor our troops as they deserve our support and thanks because of allowing us to live our lives in freedom.”* She then read a letter from her son, Sergeant Dustin James Wheeland of the U. S. Army, who is currently on his second tour of duty in

Iraq. Mr. Hickman stated that with the Board's permission, the plaque will be placed at the Gila County Veteran's Memorial, located at the front entrance of the Courthouse, during the Dedication Service that will be held on March 19, 2005. On behalf of the Board, Chairman Sanchez thanked Ms. Wheeland for the plaque.

Steve Sanders, Public Works Division Deputy Director, requested the adoption of Resolution No. 05-03-01 accepting the grant of a twenty foot wide Public Road Easement from the U.S.D.A. Forest Service for Forest Service Road 313, which is located in Supervisorial District One. Mr. Sanders explained that the road is situated north of the control road in the Collins Ranch area and it is also known locally as the Loren Long Ranch Road. The road is 2,300 feet in length and the road miles will be added to the miles of road maintained by the County of which the maintenance costs are funded by HURF (Highway User Revenue Fund) dollars. He stated the road will not be a problem to maintain and will be maintained under the Country Dirt Road Policy, if the Board adopts the following agenda item. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 05-03-01. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

At 10:20 a.m. a public hearing was held, and Mr. Sanders requested the adoption of Resolution No. 05-03-02 accepting Forest Service Road 313 as a Country Dirt Road and accepting said road into the Gila County Country Dirt Road System as prescribed by the Gila County Public Works Division Policy ENG-03-04. At this time Chairman Sanchez asked for public comment; none was offered. Chairman Sanchez closed the public hearing and asked for a motion. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 05-03-02. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Ms. Marie Petroff, a resident of Young, Arizona, presented a proposal and petitions signed by 252 citizens of Young, Arizona, for consideration of the

Young Transfer Station. Excerpts of the written proposal presented by Ms. Petroff are as follows:

Statement of Intention:

- ✓ The Young Transfer Station should not be closed.
- ✓ The prices charged to citizens should not be significantly increased.
- ✓ The Young Transfer Station services should not be cut back.

Economic Profile:

- ✓ Each Gila County transfer station is returning net losses of ~\$57 to \$161 per ton or 2¼ to 4 times the cost versus revenues.
- ✓ The Young Transfer Station shows the greatest number of hours open, lowest revenues, highest costs, and highest per ton losses.
- ✓ The Roosevelt Transfer Station shows the least number of hours open (on par with Christopher Creek), the highest revenues, the lowest costs, and the lowest per ton losses.

Conclusion:

- ✓ The current County Transfer Station economic model is subsidy based. This conclusion is based upon the facts of the analysis which show that regardless of service levels, use, and revenues, the Gila County Transfer Station economics will continue to show exponential losses.
- ✓ According to the "Preliminary Solid Waste Management Report for Gila County, Arizona, June 1990", the Young Transfer Station total annual direct & indirect costs were projected at \$34,707. The 1990-1991 Proposed Solid Waste Management Operating Budget forecasts a Countywide operations deficit of -\$397,067.

Request for Review of Resolutions:

- ✓ We are respectfully requesting that the Gila County Board of Supervisors review the resolutions and supporting plans which determined: 1) Change of the County Landfill model to the Transfer Station model, and 2) Budget support change for the Transfer Stations from General Fund to Enterprise Fund.

Assumption:

- ✓ Within these resolutions are contained budget plans indicating that the Transfer Station model can be made self sustaining, or that ongoing County subsidy is expected.
- ✓ The questions to be answered are: 1) How can a private, profit-making company successfully perform the Gila County Transfer Station management and operations without substantially increasing the cost to County residents or radically cutting back on services?, and 2) What assurances and plan of action does the Gila County Board of Supervisors offer to continue the Young Transfer Station operations without interruption if services are discontinued from the private contractor chosen?

Purpose:

- ✓ Understanding the County subsidy required to sustain a working economic model is essential in solving the issue regardless of whether the Landfill/Transfer Stations are County or privately operated and managed.
- ✓ A continue Young Transfer Station operation is essential. In order to place Transfer Station operations out to bid, Gila County must develop and publish a failover plan to provide contiguous operation in the event or failure on the part of the private contractor.

Young County Taxes Comparison to Transfer Station Costs:

- ✓ We in Young believe that our tax base is sufficient to provide what subsidy may be needed to ensure that the Young Transfer Station not be closed, prices charged are not significantly increased, and services are not cut back.
- ✓ The entire cost of the Young Transfer Station represents 5% of the County taxes paid by the Community of Young. The Transfer Station losses alone represent only 4% of total taxes paid.
- ✓ The Transfer Station annual cost represents 16% of the General Fund taxes. The Transfer Station loss represents 12% of the General Fund taxes.
- ✓ The citizens of Young believe that they are paying adequate County taxes to fund the operation of the Young Transfer Station.

Supervisor Dawson thanked Ms. Petroff for an excellent report. Chairman Sanchez called for public comment. A lady from the audience (name not given) stated that she and a couple other Young residents, who were present, prefer to submit their comments in writing. Chairman Sanchez called on Steve Stratton, Public Works Division Director, to speak to the issue. Mr. Stratton first provided a history of this issue, as follows:

- On December 7, 2004, the Board of Supervisors declared a portion of the Solid Waste Department equipment as surplus for the purpose of auctioning the equipment at a later date. The County has five transfer stations scattered throughout the County, and each station has operated at a loss, with last year's losses at around \$100,000 total. An analysis of the situation was conducted resulting in two possible solutions, as follows: 1) A secondary tax could be implemented for the those areas where each transfer station is located so the citizens utilizing those transfer stations would thereby subsidize them; or, 2) there are individuals in the private sector who are interested in purchasing these transfer stations and believe that they can be profitable. A contract will be tied to the sale of the equipment, which requires that the buyer operate the transfer station for one year utilizing the equipment that is to be sold to ensure the citizens of Gila County the continued operation of the transfer stations. The Board approved using a sealed bidding process with a minimum amount set for each equipment package. At the suggestion of County Manager John Nelson, Mr. Stratton advised that the contract would contain language which specifies that the landfill rates will remain unchanged for a period of one year.

Mr. Stratton advised that the transfer stations are not subsidized by any County taxes. The Enterprise Fund is subsidizing all transfer stations at a cost of approximately \$1 per ton. Chairman Sanchez thanked Mr. Stratton for the information presented and advised the audience that the Board would review the proposal submitted by the citizens of Young. He also requested that Mr. Stratton and Mr. Nelson review the proposal and report back their

recommendations to the Board at which time the Board will take an official action on the future operation of the County transfer stations.

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson, the Board convened as the Gila County Flood Control District Board in order to address agenda item numbers 6A and 6B.

Steve Sanders addressed agenda item 6A, a Floodplain Variance Request submitted by Ms. Marie G. Prince for tax parcel number 201-10-078 (Lot 29, Lake Roosevelt Gardens, Unit 3). Mr. Sanders advised that he received Ms. Prince's request in the form of a letter dated November 22, 2004. A history of this issue is as follows: Ms. Prince purchased the subject property in September 2001, which included a double garage and an older model mobile home (a 1959 single-wide model, with add-ons, bringing the overall dimensions to approximately 50 x 30 feet). At the time of the purchase, Ms. Prince was not informed by her realtor that the property was located in a floodplain. In fact, the realtor advised that the property was located one foot above the floodplain. In April 2004, Ms. Prince began the process to remove the dilapidated mobile home from the property in order to place a used, but newer (1989 model) 14 x 53 foot mobile home on the property. During the course of obtaining various permits, Ms. Prince was never advised that her property was located in a floodplain until she applied to the County for a flood permit. It was at this time she learned there was an issue with the floodplain. The Floodplain Use Permit will require that the mobile home be elevated seven feet above the ground. Mr. Darde de Roulhac, Chief Engineer for the Gila County Flood Control District, provided an overview of the issue and his recommendation to the Board, followed by Ms. Prince's presentation. **(A detailed explanation of this issue from the County's point of view and Ms. Prince's point of view is attached: 1) Memo dated November 30, 2004, from Mr. de Roulhac to Mr. Sanders, and 2) Letter dated November 22, 2004, from Ms. Prince to Gila County.)** In summary, Mr. de Roulhac recommended that the Board deny the Floodplain Variance Request. The "Staff Recommendation" portion of Mr. de

Roulhac's memo to Mr. Sanders states, *"While I understand and sympathize with Ms. Prince in this situation, I must nevertheless side with the intent of the Ordinance (initially adopted on December 22, 1986, and last amended on June 24, 2003) to protect Gila County citizens from flooding. Given the dramatically increased costs of flood insurance, the increased risk to life and property, and the ineligibility for participation in future flood mitigation programs which would affect this property if the variance were to be granted, and the fact that it is possible to build in compliance with the regulations, I feel compelled to recommend that this variance request be denied."* In summary, Ms. Prince requested that the Board grant an exemption under A.R.S. § 48-3609. Ms. Prince's letter states, *"Should you disagree with my arguments and rule that this usage is not exempt, I beg you to grant me a variance under the following conditions:*

601-10 As stated above, enforcement of this elevation would deprive the property of similar privileges enjoyed by similar property in the floodplain due to the size, shape, topography and location of this property. All of the other homes in the area appear to be at 3½ feet or less.

And

601.50 (2) Failure to grant this variance would result in exceptional hardship to me and (3) will not result in increased flood heights, additional threats to public safety, extraordinary public expense, create nuisances, cause fraud on or victimization of the public, or conflict with existing local laws or ordinances."

At this time the Board agreed that an Executive Session was necessary to seek legal advice on this issue from Mr. Bryan Chambers, 2nd Chief Deputy County Attorney.

Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board convened into Executive Session in the Board of Supervisors' conference room at 11:13 a.m.

The Board reconvened into the regular meeting in the Board of Supervisors' hearing room at 11:46 a.m.

Vice-Chairman Martin stated, *“I move that we accept or grant a floodplain variance request to Ms. Prince subject to the condition of anchoring (the mobile home) to prevent floatation according to Section 512A of our Floodplain Ordinance, and subject to Ms. Prince's willingness to hold harmless the Gila County Flood Control District and its officers and its employees, and have that language hammered out with our legal staff.”* Supervisor Dawson stated, *“I second the motion.”* Chairman Sanchez stated, *“There is a motion and a second. All those in favor say "aye." Opposed? I will go on record as being opposed to the motion. It appears the ayes have it, and it's approved and so ordered.”* By a two to one vote, the Board approved the Floodplain Variance Request submitted by Ms. Prince for tax parcel number 201-10-078 with stipulations as stated in Vice-Chairman Martin’s motion.

Steve Sanders requested the approval of Contract No. 2005-2569A between the Arizona Department of Water Resources and the Gila County Flood Control District for State Standards Work Group (SSWG) Participation. Said Contract is effective through June 30, 2009, and is not to exceed \$25,000. Mr. Sanders stated that the SSWG is made up of several people from throughout Arizona’s rural and urban communities, and Darde de Roulhac is the representative for the rural counties of Arizona. The purpose of SSWG is to establish State standards related to floodplain issues and to help small counties that can’t afford consultants to write their own standards, as well as helping communities to comply with the FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Act) community rating system which reduces the rates for citizens needing to purchase flood insurance. Over the next five years, Gila County will contribute \$5,000 per year to continue the operation of the SSWG. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved Contract No. 2005-2569A.

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson the Board reconvened as the Board of Supervisors at 11:53 a.m.

Mr. Sanders presented a request to accept or reject a Citizen's Petition for the acceptance of Upper Pinal Creek Road as a County Highway with the beginning of the proposed highway at Beer Tree Crossing, the end at Short Property, and the general course and direction of the proposed highway is south to north. The subject road is 1,500 feet in length, paved, transverses six individual properties, and is currently private. Mr. Sanders stated that County staff has not conducted a survey on this road; however, he does not feel this road currently meets County standards. He stated that in the past, the Board has suggested to citizens that they make any road improvements necessary to meet County standards **before** presenting a request to the Board for the County to take ownership of the road and he added that those road improvements must be made at the expense of the citizens. Mr. Sanders advised that today's requested action is for the Board to either accept or reject the Citizen's Petition. If the Petition is accepted, County staff will conduct the survey and prepare any necessary deeds. County staff will then present the Board with a written recommendation at which time the Board will render a decision to accept or reject this road as a County Highway. Supervisor Dawson stated that she has viewed this paved road which now contains "huge chuck holes". In her opinion, the road currently does not meet County standards. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously accepted the Citizen's Petition.

Mr. Sanders presented a request to accept or reject a Citizen's Petition to establish Old State Route 260 in Christopher Creek as a County Highway. Mr. Sanders stated that the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) Board, by resolution, officially abandoned this road that is two miles in length due to the realignment of Highway 260 which now bypasses the community. He advised that in 2001, Gila County entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Arizona regarding this road. It was agreed that the State of Arizona would complete certain maintenance upgrades and then abandon ownership of the road. It was further agreed that in fiscal year 2004-

05, Gila County would take responsibility for the road maintenance. Mr. Sanders stated that the road will be a benefit to the citizens of that area and will not be a high-maintenance issue. He further stated that ADOT has improved the guardrail, bridge, and overlaid the road with striping, and the staff recommendation is for the Board to accept this Petition. Vice-Chairman Martin stated that at one time there were requests to change the road speed to 35 mph and she asked Mr. Sanders to research that possibility and report his recommendation to the Board. Mr. Sanders stated that once the Petition has been accepted by the Board, departmental staff will assess the road's condition, conduct a speed study and then present a recommendation to the Board. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson, the Board unanimously accepted the Citizen's Petition.

Mr. Sanders presented a request to accept or reject a Citizen's Petition designating Sandi Lane as a Country Dirt Road with the beginning of the proposed road at Sanders Drive, the end at Lot 104, with the general course and direction being east. Mr. Sanders stated that since placing this item on the agenda, he received a Citizen's Petition for Sanders Drive which provides connectivity with Sandi Lane, so he requested that this item be tabled until the next regular meeting in order to incorporate both roads into one Petition. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously tabled this item.

Mr. Sanders requested the adoption of Resolution No. 05-03-03 establishing Pinal Creek Road as shown on Record of Survey Map Number 2808, Gila County Records, as a public roadway that will be maintained as a public roadway. Mr. Sanders stated this road is located in the Wheatfields area next to the Rinker Material Plant of which the land was formerly owned by BHP Mines. This road was not sold to Rinker; however, BHP requested that Gila County prepare a deed, road survey and accept the road into the County Road Maintenance System. Mr. Sanders stated that it is a public road that would meet the needs of the citizens in the area and recommended that the Board

accept this as a public road. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 05-03-03. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Steve Sanders requested authorization of the Chairman's signature on the State of Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR), Contract No. 2005-2552IGA, for technical support on the project to develop a State Standard for hydrologic modeling for delineation of floodplains in Arizona, and a training curriculum to accompany the Standard. Said Contract is effective through June 30, 2007, and ADWR will fund Gila County in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 which will be used to hire a consultant to develop technical guidelines for the project as the State does not have the staff to do this and it will be at no cost to the County. Supervisor Dawson questioned whether approving this Contract would require adding another employee. Mr. Sanders replied that the County will not be adding an additional employee as the consultant will be contracted and said Contract will be administered by Darde de Roulhac. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson, the Board authorized the Chairman's signature on Contract No. 2004-2552IGA with ADWR.

Steve Stratton presented the Board with two maps designated as Format A and Format B for its decision in reference to the traffic flow, parking and signage requested by Engineering Services around the Courthouse parking lot, the new access road and the lower parking lot. Mr. Stratton stated that at the Board's last meeting, he presented the proposed traffic flow pattern and parking around the Courthouse. At that time Supervisor Dawson requested that Mr. Stratton research the possibility of having two-way traffic at the east entrance of the Courthouse. Mr. Stratton advised that the map illustrating Format A is the original proposed traffic flow and the map illustrating Format B is the modified version. He stated that the driveway would need to be replaced and could be done regardless of whether the driveway has one- or two-way

traffic. ADOT will allow a forty foot opening and then start the handicap ramps going backward on both sides. The cost for the contract work, permits and traffic control is \$2,789.00. On the southeast corner of the Courthouse a handicap ramp will need to be installed which requires a decrease in the size of the curbing to allow for easier traffic movement, at a cost of \$1,975.00.

Supervisor Dawson stated the reason she prefers Format B is because parking spaces in front of the Courthouse are used without restriction as it is public access to the front of the Courthouse. She stated if the Board selects Format A, citizens would need to completely circle the Courthouse to utilize those parking places at the front of the Courthouse. Vice-Chairman Martin asked about the difference in prices. Mr. Stratton stated that with Format A, nothing would need to be done to the driveway in front, but with Format B the cost would be \$2,789.00. He added that either option would require ramp modifications to the southeast corner of the Courthouse. Chairman Sanchez agreed with Supervisor Dawson on Format B. Vice-Chairman Martin questioned if there would be any additional striping on Format B so that vehicles don't go down the one-way road. Mr. Stratton stated that he would post a "One Way-Do Not Enter" sign. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously accepted Format B.

David Fletcher, Health and Community Services Division Director, requested the appointment of Chairman José M. Sanchez to the Gila County Board of Health with a term to expire July 2008. Mr. Fletcher stated that per Arizona Statute §36-183, counties with three supervisorial districts shall have a five-member Health Board consisting of one member from the Board of Supervisors, one Arizona licensed physician, and three citizens who are selected for their interest in public health, with each citizen being a resident of a different supervisorial district. The Supervisor would serve during their term of office as a member of the Board of Supervisors, and the other members would be appointed for a term of four years. Supervisor Dawson made the

motion that Chairman Sanchez be appointed to the Health Board with a term to expire July, 2008; however, Mr. Fletcher stated that the term designated on the meeting agenda contained a typing error and the actual expiration date will be December 31, 2008. Supervisor Dawson amended her motion to reflect the term change to December 31, 2008. Vice-Chairman Martin seconded the motion and the Board unanimously appointed Chairman Sanchez to the Gila County Board of Health.

Steve Besich, Deputy County Manager, requested an amendment to the term of office of William Long as a member of the Gila County Industrial Development Authority (IDA) Board of Directors. The previous appointment was from May 18, 2005, to May 15, 2008; however, the correct term of office for a six-year term should be from May 18, 2004, to May 18, 2010. Mr. Besich stated this error was brought to his attention as the bylaws call for staggered six-year terms, so this amendment is a technical correction to change the dates to reflect a six-year term. Supervisor Dawson advised that she abstained from voting on this appointment when this request was previously presented to the Board and that she has even more concerns at this time. She stated that prior to being elected to the Board of Supervisors, she inquired as to the role of the IDA and obtained copies of the minutes of the IDA meetings for most of 2004, as well as an annual report. Supervisor Dawson stated that she feels there is no accounting of IDA funds as they are not with the County Treasurer's Office or the Finance Department, so she would again abstain from voting as she believes the Board of Supervisors is responsible for every Board it appoints and the funds those Boards expend. Mr. Besich responded that a portion of IDA funds are in Fund 127 at the County Treasurer's Office and the rest are deposited with Bank One. John Nelson added that it is a bond account. Chairman Sanchez stated that the Board should focus on the agenda item as stated although he appreciated Supervisor Dawson's comments. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board, with a

two vote in favor, amended the term of office of William Long beginning May 18, 2004, to May 18, 2010.

Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved Consent Agenda items A-E, as follows:

- A. Authorized the Chairman's signature on a Memorandum of Understanding in compliance with an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Gila County Health and Community Services Division and the City of Globe, with Gila County providing administrative services in the amount of \$30,690.00, rehabilitation services in the amount of \$22,562.00 and rehabilitation of at least four homes in the amount of \$90,264.06.
- B. Approved the January 2005 monthly departmental activity reports submitted by the Gila County Recorder, Payson Regional Justice of the Peace, and Clerk of the Superior Court.
- C. Approved the following BOS regular meeting minutes: January 25, 2005, February 1, 2005, February 8, 2005, February 15, 2005, and February 15, 2005, BOS Emergency Meeting minutes.
- D. Approved the finance reports/demands/transfers for the weeks of February 21, 2005, and February 28, 2005.

February 21, 2005:

\$566,428.16 was disbursed for County expenses by voucher numbers X144055 through X144182, X364094 through X364403, and X364405 through X364453. The hand-issued warrants listing is as follows: voucher number X364092 in the amount of \$45,510.71 and X364093 in the amount of \$20,000.00.

February 28, 2005:

\$211,206.33 was disbursed for County expenses by voucher numbers X144183 through X144265, X364454 through X364563, X364565 through X364597, X364599 through X364617, and X364619 through X364752. There were no hand-issued warrants.

E. Approved personnel reports/actions for the weeks of February 21, 2005, and February 28, 2005, as follows:

February 21, 2005:

Departure from County Service:

1. Operator I – Solid Waste Management – 02-11-05 – Enterprise Fund
Shane Clark – Hire 02-07-05 – Failure to meet pre-employment requirements
2. Executive Secretary – School Superintendent – 02-07-05 – General Fund
Anita Avalos – Hire 10-04-04 – Resigned without notice
3. Deputy Probation Officer – Probation – 02-11-05 – State Aid
Enhancement Fund - Terri Goode – Hire 03-12-01 – Resigned – leaving area

Hire to County Service:

4. Operator I – Solid Waste Management – 02-28-05 – Enterprise Fund
Gerald Nenninger – Temporary to Regular Status replacing William Seeley

Departmental Transfer:

5. Probation Secretary – Probation to Calendar Administrator – Superior Court – 02-21-05 – General Fund – Susan Williams

Position Review:

6. Anniversary Date Increase – 02-21-05 – Teresa Griego

SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

Departure from County Service:

7. Detention Officer – Payson S.O. – 02-09-05 – General Fund
Linda Isban – Hire 06-21-00 – Resigned – leaving area
8. Detention Officer – Globe S.O. – 02-10-05 – General Fund
Christopher Mejia – Hire 11-15-04 – Failure to complete probation

February 28, 2005:

Hire to County Service:

1. Building Maintenance Technician – Facilities Management – 03-02-05 – Internal Services Fund - Osvaldo Ramirez – Replaces David Membrila
2. Road Maintenance Worker II – Consolidated Roads – 03-02-05 – Road Fund - Thomas Mann – Replaces Harold Cox
3. Engineering Technician II – Engineering – 03-02-05 – Engineering Fund Steve Williams – New position
4. Caseworker – Child Support – 02-22-05 – General Fund Lisa McCormack – Replaces Tatyana Ushakova

Temporary Hire to County Service:

5. Laborer – Consolidated Roads – 03-02-05 – Road Fund Matthew Thomas

Departmental Transfer:

6. Laborer – Consolidated Roads to Scalehouse/Laborer – Solid Waste Management – 02-21-05 – Road Fund to Enterprise Fund – Leon Dude
7. Juvenile Detention Officer – Probation – 02-21-05 – General Fund Sunny Mayorga – Transfer to “on-call” position.

End Probationary Period:

8. Clerk II – Recorder – 03-07-05 – General Fund - Nicole Chase

Position Review:

9. Anniversary Date Increase – 02-07-05 – Karen Johnson
10. Anniversary Date Increase – 02-21-05 – Lynn Dee Trimble, Yodona Pennell, Mirtha Chavez, Brent Bingham, Ken Doss
11. Anniversary Date Increase – 03-07-05 – Fletcher Petty, Nyra Hillery, David Slaughter, Delores Stearns, Kenneth Payne, John Root, William Rodgers, Terry Solberg, John Garrett
12. Promotion – Training Specialist II to III – REPAC – Community Services – 02-21-05 – Grant Fund - Christina Throop

Request Permission to Post:

13. Accountant – Finance – Position vacated by Dave Patterson on 01-12-03

SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

Hire to County Service:

14. Detention Officer – Globe S.O. – 02-28-05 – General Fund
Ronnie Zufelt – replaces Kirby Schneider
15. Detention Officer – Globe S.O. – 02-28-05 – General Fund
Jeremy Roberts – replaces Tamar Morrow
16. Detention Officer – Payson S.O. – 02-28-05 – General Fund
Lynn Durst – replaces Thomas Medina
17. Detention Officer – Payson S.O. – 02-28-05 – General Fund
Mark Kirch – replaces Craig Nicholson

Position Review:

18. Anniversary Date Increase – 02-21-05 – Yolanda Cruz
19. Anniversary Date Increase – 03-07-05 – John Alexander, Jerry Valenzuela, Christine Garrett

At this time each Board member and the Chief Administrator presented a brief summary of current events as allowed by A.R.S. §38-431.02(K). No action was taken on any items that were presented.

Supervisor Dawson requested an update status on restrictions to the Gila County Fairgrounds deed and potential acquisition of State-owned land surrounding the Fairgrounds. She stated that when the community was approached on the possibility of constructing and operating an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (I.C.E.) Holding Facility in the Globe-Miami area, the County and cities were not organized to answer questions from the people who made the presentation. Supervisor Dawson now believes the opportunity to have the I.C.E. Holding Facility in the local area has passed, although a formal denial has not been received. She recommended that the Board research the possibility of lifting the Fairgrounds deed restrictions, as well as pursue the acquisition of State land surrounding the Fairgrounds property. During a discussion with Steve Besich, Supervisor Dawson stated that Mr. Besich advised her that the Board has never instructed him to pursue the acquisition of State-owned land. Supervisor Dawson questioned whether this

issue should be placed on a future meeting agenda as a Board action item. Chairman Sanchez stated that to his knowledge this issue must be placed on a formal agenda in order to provide direction to Mr. Besich or any other person to proceed. He stated that he does not have a problem with the status of the deed restrictions on the Fairgrounds as they are currently outlined on the deed and believes the process to change them would be very complicated. Chairman Sanchez also stated that the potential for acquiring State-owned land around the Fairgrounds does interest him, and he would like to meet on that as soon as possible. Vice-Chairman Martin stated that she is not interested in pursuing a means to lift the Fairgrounds deed restrictions. She would consider utilizing Fairgrounds property for a different use only if the County owned a better site whereby the Fairgrounds and its facilities could be relocated. She stated: *"That is a lot of 'ifs' and I would hate to lose what we have by opening a can of worms that we didn't understand."* Vice-Chairman Martin added that she is interested in purchasing State-owned land if the Board is interested in constructing a facility adjacent to the present Fairgrounds property. She advised that the property located around the existing prison looks like ideal home site property. She recommended developing a long-range plan for the southern portion of the County in order to determine the direction for future economic growth. Supervisor Dawson supports building new prisons because Arizona currently houses many prisoners outside of Arizona. She expressed a concern that the community will miss out on opportunities such as the prison if *"we continue dragging our feet"*, and that other communities will continue to make advances to get these facilities. She stated there is a need to look at the property which is owned by the County and she does not believe the land adjoining the prison will become a residential area, but will remain unused. She reiterated Vice-Chairman Martin's suggestion to develop a long-range plan. Chairman Sanchez stated that in concluding this item, an agenda item could be placed on a future meeting in order to obtain clarification on deed

restrictions and potential acquisition of State-owned land surrounding the Fairgrounds.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Chairman Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 12:44 p.m.

José M. Sanchez, Chairman

ATTEST:

John F. Nelson, County Manager/Clerk